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PATENT

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL  
BECAUSE OF RELATION TO BIOTECHNOLOGY**

As a below named joint inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is for an original application.

My post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my Name. I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a United States Patent is sought on the invention entitled: The Use of  $\beta$  1,3-Glucan-Containing Compositions to Potentiate Immune Responses by Upregulating the Expression of Costimulatory Molecules, the specification for which being filed simultaneously with this Declaration and Petition.

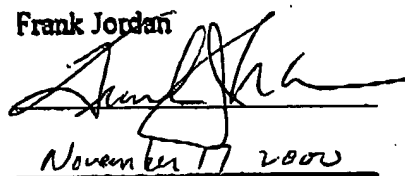
I hereby state that I am the owner of Immusonic and Immusonic is a small entity, as is established in the prosecution history. Further, the biotechnology subject matter of this application is a major asset of the Immusonic. As well, the development of the technology will be significantly impaired if examination of the application is delayed because the use of such product on the market could directly benefit mankind and any such delay simply delays the time that patent protection will exist on the subject matter of the patent. Therefore, delaying the time that the Applicant will produce the product for market. Further, any delay in prosecution of this application will add great expense to ongoing research for various aspects of the invention and will make it extremely hard for the Immusonic to continue to exist.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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